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When President Obama meets with President Thein Sein of Myanmar (Burma) today, he should emphasize Washington's commitment to Myanmar's progress, while stressing the importance of preventing discrimination and violence against ethnic minority Muslims and Christians.

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When the president of [Myanmar](#) (Burma), [Thein Sein](#) , meets with [President Obama](#) at the [White House](#) today, he will undoubtedly stress how his government has taken steps toward democratic reform. Indeed, in recent years, Myanmar has released hundreds of religious and political prisoners. It has eased Internet and media controls. It has held limited parliamentary elections.

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